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Hunt Charges Campbell With Partial Responsibility For Loss Of State Funds In Defunct Banks

Following the epidemic of Republicanism that swept over the county last week on the occasion of the visit of Governor Campbell and his coterie of Republican candidates, the Democrats held the center of the stage on Monday and Tuesday when ex-Governor Geo. W. P. Hunt, candidate for Governor on the Democratic ticket; Richard H. Ramsey, candidate for State Auditor; Chas. R. Howe, for Tax Commissioner, and Jas. H. Kerby, for Secretary of State, arrived in Greenlee county to fulfill their speaking engagements.

Governor Hunt, Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Howe came direct to Greenlee county from Yuma and were met at Lordsburg Sunday afternoon by a number of enthusiastic admirers, in automobiles, and escorted to Clifton, stopping in Duncan early in the evening for dinner.

Those who went to Lordsburg and accompanied the next Governor into Greenlee county were John Evans, of Duncan, candidate for county treasurer; W. T. Witt, candidate for sheriff; Jim Carter and H. B. Lovett, Democratic Precinct Committeemen from Duncan; "Buck" Johnson, candidate for constable at Duncan; W. T. Sanders, W. V. McCarty, John B. Bradberry, Holland Bass, Harvey Grady, Mike Hannon, candidate for the Legislature in the Morenci district; Duncan McNeil, and A. R. Lynch, Chairman of the Greenlee County Democratic Central Committee.

The candidates all spoke at Morenci, Clifton and Duncan and were greeted by crowded houses at each place.

Chairman Lynch presided at each meeting and his introductions are always apropos and good for a laugh every time.

Mr. Ramsey, of Yuma, is a banker and an experienced financier and auditor and was well received at each place.

Chas. R. Howe, Tax Commissioner, Mr. Howe, candidate for Tax Commissioner, called particular attention to arrangements of so-called non-partisan candidates' names as they will appear on the Official Ballot. Mr. Howe has been a resident and taxpayer of Arizona for twenty-two years, and a member of the Tax Commission ever since its inauguration, ten years ago.

Mr. Howe stated that at the time the Tax Commission was created the mining companies paid but 19% of the taxes; the railroads on a valuation of \$15,000.00 per mile; private car lines, nothing; express companies only on trucks, furniture, etc.; telegraph and telephone companies, nothing to speak of, whereas, at present, mining companies pay approximately 50%; main line railroads, \$69,000.00 a mile; telephone and telegraph companies pay on something like \$5,000,000.00; private car lines, Pullman, refrigerator and oil tank cars, now pay in something over \$40,000.00 per year in taxes; express companies pay 6% of their gross earnings; thus making lighter the tax burdens of all other classes of property. The speaker made mention of the fact that the Phelps Dodge Corporation has at no time contested their taxes in the courts—always paid promptly; showing that they were glad to pay their just share. The Tax Commission has always been composed of Democrats and claims credit for Inheritance Tax law, which will result in a source of great revenue to the State, and thus reduce taxation. In conclusion Mr. Howe called attention to the fact that his opponent is not a taxpayer in Arizona and does not even pay school tax.

Jas. H. Kerby, Sec. of State, Mr. James H. Kerby, candidate for Secretary of State, made a short talk and outlined the duties of the Secretary of State. He called attention to the fact that the receipts of the Secretary of State's office would be the same from automobile licenses and gasoline tax, regardless of who holds the office; that expenses of office have been recently reduced, owing to the fact that the collection of licenses on automobiles is now handled by the various County Assessors. Mr. Kerby promised an efficient and economical administration and concluded as follows: "I want to assure you, if I am fortunate enough to be elected Secretary of State, I will run the office and select my deputies in such a manner as to develop efficiency in the office at the least possible expense to the taxpayers of the State so it will be a credit to myself as well as Greenlee County."

Geo. W. P. Hunt, Governor, Just as certain that Chas. B. Ward carried Greenlee county in the recent Democratic primaries will ex-Governor Hunt carry this county in the general election. The same enthusiastic supporters of Mr. Ward in the primaries are now supporting Governor Hunt as against the Republican nominee.

The next Governor was enthusiastically received everywhere he spoke in Greenlee county and his every word was given close attention. In Clifton the next Governor prefaced his remarks by a humorous reference to the recent unpleasantness, during the heat of the primary campaign, between the COPPER ERA and its editor, and himself.

"Before I begin my speech," said Mr. Hunt, "I want to make a con-

fession; I want to express a regret; I want to make an apology. You know when I was here before, in the primary campaign—that was a hot campaign; darned hot, and my friend, the editor of the COPPER ERA, was throwing his harpoon at me, and I'll say, when it comes to throwing a harpoon, he is an artist at it. But, Bill Kelly and I have known each other for many years. I recall twenty nine years ago an incident in which we both participated during an Apache Indian outbreak, while traveling in a buckboard through the White Mountain Indian Reservation, and of course, naturally, when I came over here and found he was throwing his harpoon into me, I got all "het up", and I proceeded to harpoon him, and I called him some very bad names—some odorous names—But, after the primary was over he said in his paper that I had made a great fight and won. Nobody ever made a greater fight, 7000 miles I traveled in my car and I spoke over a hundred times. He knew all about that, and he is behind the Democratic ticket, and he is behind me, and I want to make this apology now to Bill Kelly—he is a good man and a good Democrat.

"Why is he behind the ticket, and why are all the Democrats behind the ticket? Because there comes a time in this State, after four years, that the people of this State, who are trying to bear the burdens of this State, must TAKE STOCK.

"You know I was a business man twenty-five years before I became Governor, and twelve years of that time I was President of a bank. It was customary in the old days to take stock once a year and later on we took stock every month. There has been no taking of stock in four years. Now, we are going to take stock.

"I want to present to you some facts—to those who bear the burdens of Government. They have not been presented in this campaign. There has been a great silence on some things which should have been presented.

"Now, I am going to read a law, and I want you to listen carefully, because I want you to understand what I think is the paramount issue in this campaign—the stoppage of leaks and waste and to go forward in a business-like method, and restore confidence to the people of this state and the outside world. It won't do it you won't get capital; talk about this I. W. Wism—who is an I. W. W?—I will talk to you about that later on." (Reads Para. 4637-4655, C. C. 1913).

"Why do I call your attention to this law? Some three years ago there was a bank organized in Phoenix called the Central Bank of Phoenix, and it was supposed, when they started in business that they had complied with the law; probably they had, but a little over a year ago the Central Bank of Phoenix closed its doors, and when it closed its doors they found that FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS of the State's money was deposited in that ONE bank; more than half of the available cash of the state was deposited in one bank, and when they came to inspect the securities of that Bank they were apparently absolutely worthless. I have quoted the law. What do you think about it? Was that discussed the other night? They discussed a trip to Mexico and a trip to Washington, and talked about pictures in the Capitol—anything to detract the attention of the people of the State from the paramount issues.

"Now you Republicans, get busy and look up the law yourself and you will realize that \$500,000.00 of the available cash of the state was deposited in one bank. We have good banks in Arizona; some of the best financial institutions in the West are located in Arizona. They were ignored and half of the available cash of the State was put in one bank. There is something else to that. The Legislature, owing to increase in business in Maricopa County, passed a law that they should have another Judge; and, of course, he (Campbell) had to appoint a Republican, Judge Jencks, and when this Bank failed it was up to some Judge to appoint a Receiver. They flimflamed around awhile, as I understand it, and finally the case came up before Judge Jencks and he appointed Mr. Beaumont, the Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, and he has been sitting on the lid ever since—that was 6 months ago—what have you to say about that? If you have anything to say about that it is time to get up and make a noise. It is one of the serious things which confronts the people of this State. Half of the available cash was gone, and then they had to call a Special Session of the Legislature to get money. They said they didn't have the amount of money necessary to run the state and that the University would have to close its doors, and the solons of the State were called into extraordinary session to pass some kind of a law to raise funds; and they passed a law calling for the issuance of what they called Tax Anticipation Bonds. Of course, in Arizona, I have always been used to "scrapping" the mining companies, but they have always paid their taxes.

Now, the mining companies will have to pay their taxes almost the second time because in issuing tax anticipation bonds you will have to pay the interest on them and the man who has paid his taxes promptly has to uphold the others who have not paid their taxes.

"Now, I want to call your attention to the running expenses of the State; you have heard them talk about percentages and all this stuff. I have the figures from the State Treasurer; they can't be denied, and I am not going to juggle any figures; they are taken from the archives of the office of the State Treasurer. One reason why the Democrats are united is because they want good and efficient government; they want a good and economical and business-like government, and to get that, good people, what do I want? If I am elected Governor of this State, and I think I will be, I am going to put it on an economical basis and if I do I have got to have what—the members of the Legislature to cooperate with me. Support your Democratic candidates for the Legislature to help me to put this state back where it can be respected. The Senator from this County is efficient; Mike Hannon is a good scout and I think he will do you well. But, I don't care—if he don't do you well you folks will know about it; if he doesn't do alright I won't hesitate to say what I think about it. He knows I will do it; but I feel that he and all the other candidates from this county will serve you well, and when voting for the State candidates don't overlook the County ticket—vote it from top to bottom straight. (Applause).

"Now, getting back to the matter of the expenses of the State. I have the tax levies from 1913 to 1921, but I am not going to bore you with a lot of figures. I want to call your attention to 1916; that was the end of my administration, the second term. From 1912 to 1916 you had the most prosperous years you ever had in Arizona.

The total of all taxes levied for State purposes was \$1,945,000.00. Last year, 1921, it was \$6,054,000.00. What do you think about that? Three times—in five years, from less than two million to more than six millions. Isn't it time we had a business administration in Arizona? Take the Board of Control; in 1916 it cost \$7,500.00; in 1921 it cost \$25,000.00. Those are figures to study about. I am not going to give you a lot of figures here to confuse minds. You can go on down the line; the Horticultural department in 1916 cost \$24,000.00, and in 1921 it cost \$68,000.00; and the Board of Health in 1916, \$5,800.00, and in 1921, \$24,650.00. These are the things you want to consider, and here is a whole list of them all the way down. Here is interest on registered warrants; in 1916 was \$2,500.00, and in 1921 it was \$120,000.00—what do you think of that? Were those figures quoted to you the other night? I know they were not because I have a verbatim report of the speeches. What do you think about those things? How do you feel about it? Can we restore confidence? I think we can. I will tell you about some of the things they are doing. Here is a report of June of this year: take the automobiles and gas, \$5,000.00. What do you think of it. And you know you didn't have a State Fair for two years, but the salaries went on just the same—\$10,000.00 a year. Is that economy? You didn't have a fair because of what?—the bad financial condition. The salary of the Secretary \$225.00, and the Assistant \$200 and the Superintendent \$250.00, and the stenographer \$150—and no fair for two years—did they say anything about that? No, they were telling you I would drive out capital and stop road building, and stop the building of schools. I call it Tommy-rot.

"I brought these to your attention because it is a serious proposition. While I don't want to 'throw mud', I feel it is my duty to discuss the financial condition of this State and to do it with as much ability as I possibly can.

I understand that down here they were saying there was a conference in Mexico—a Bolshevik conference; I think that was the expression used here the other night. This conference was not held in Mexico—it was held in Laredo, Texas; was called by the Secretary of Labor of the United States of America, with the approval and consent of the President of the United States, and it was also called and attended by the Secretary of Labor of the Republic of Mexico. The Board of Governors were invited to be there. In 1918 we were in a great war and three million of the flower of our country were across there fighting and we had to have somebody to carry on the government. The Salt River Valley farmers wanted men to pick their cotton. That was the kind of a conference it was, and then they say it was a Bolshevik conference; it was a h—ll of a Bolshevik conference.

"On our way there the word was flashed over the world that the war was over, but I didn't know anything about it and we went on there and discussed the Labor situation because our boys were still over

CHAS. B. WARD, COMING

Chas. B. Ward, opponent of ex-Governor Hunt in the recent democratic primaries for the nomination for Governor, and who is justly styled the silver tongue orator of the state, and one of its foremost Democrats, will address the voters of Clifton and Morenci on Monday evening next, Oct. 30. Morenci at 7:15 p. m. and Clifton 8:00 p. m. Mr. Ward will be accompanied by Sidney P. Osborn, ex-Secretary of State, who will also speak at both places.

The Democratic county candidates opened their meetings this week at York on Friday night where all of the candidates made short talks. The party of candidates were accompanied by Hon. A. R. Lynch, county chairman, and W. B. Kelly, Executive Committeeman, who also spoke on this occasion.

The speaking dates for the remainder of the campaign are as follows:

Metzger, Saturday, October 28, Clifton and Morenci Mon. Oct. 30 Franklin, Tuesday, Oct. 31, Day School House, Nov. 1, Sheldon, Nov. 2, Morenci, Friday, Nov. 3, Clifton, Saturday, Nov. 4, Duncan, Monday, Nov. 6, At Clifton, Morenci and Duncan there will be a free dance following the speaking.

Copper Queen Miners "Go Up" In Mine To Their Work

BISBEE, Ariz., Oct. 17.—The popular theory that miners usually "go down in the mines" when the shift begins, is being smashed to smithereens by several hundred men here who are employed in the Southwest division of the Copper Queen Branch, Phelps Dodge Corporation. Miners and muckers in the Southwest division "go up in the mines" 600 feet to get 200 feet below the surface. And, while working underground, they are actually 600 feet above the city of Bisbee.

This peculiar state of affairs is not as complicated as it may seem. Southwest division employees enter the mine by what is known as the Copper Queen tunnel level. Walking several hundred yards in the tunnel they reach the Sunrise Shaft. Here they board a huge elevator hoist and are taken up 600 feet above the tunnel entrance to the mine, which is located in a high mountain that towers above the Bisbee district. When the shift is over the mine forces, instead of being carried to the surface, are lowered again to the tunnel level.

Mining engineers, veteran employees of the company and many new, experienced copper miners, working in the district for the first time, declare that the Sunrise shaft elevator-plan hoist is one of the biggest, and most modern, in the southwest. Improvement of the hoisting facilities at the Sunrise shaft is the most recent of the many improvements that have been made in the Bisbee district mines during the last two years.

The "cage" of the new hoist is 4 feet 8 inches wide and 10 feet 2 inches in length. It accommodates 36 men comfortably and can lift or lower a load of 4 tons with ease at a speed of 800 feet per minute. The cage can be controlled either from the hoist, at the top of the shaft, or from the cage itself, along lines similar to the control of a passenger elevator in a skyscraper. The hoist motor of 120 horsepower, is located in a huge steel tower directly above the top of the shaft, the drum of the hoist taking the place of the usual sheave-wheel. A huge counterweight of 11,650 pounds makes the action of the hoist almost identical with that of an elevator.

In addition to hauling man between the tunnel level and the Southwest division workings, the Sunrise hoist is used to handle all the supplies for the division. The length of the cage makes it possible to roll loaded timber trucks directly into the cage, raise or lower them to whatever level is desired, and roll the trucks off again. This has speeded up the transmission of timber and other supplies. Formerly the timbers were unloaded from the trucks, placed on end in the smaller cages, taken up or down, removed from the cage and again loaded on trucks.

The Southwest division, for years a great copper producer, is now also producing between 1200 and 1500 tons of lead ore a month. This ore is being handled at the El Paso smelter.

Many former employees of local copper producing companies, returning after absences of from several months to more than a year, are finding that the Bisbee district has been far from inactive during the depression in the copper industry. Millions of dollars have been expended by the Copper Queen Branch and Calumet & Arizona Mining Company in improving their surface and underground workings, and these improvements are continuing. In spite of the fact that many men formerly on development work have been shifted to actual mining with the resumption of ore production.

WILMA STEPHENS IS THE WINNER IN FAIR BEAUTY CONTEST

Ere this issue reaches our readers, Miss Wilma Stephens, of Clifton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stephens, a student of the University of Arizona last year, and at present a teacher in the North Clifton School, will have arrived in Phoenix as the elected representative of Greenlee County in the Arizona State Fair Beauty Contest.

Miss Stephens from the beginning was a popular favorite in the voting contest which was conducted by THE COPPER ERA in this county at the request of the Arizona Fair Commission. Voting was done by means of coupons clipped from these columns. Energetic efforts by the friends of the popular native daughter of Clifton won the contest.

Miss Ellen Martin, another popular Clifton girl, was second and Miss Autie Branyon, of Duncan, was third. The standing of the six highest nominees in the Greenlee county Fair Beauty Contest was as follows:

Miss Wilma Stephens (winner) 38,300
Miss Ellen Martin 16,000
Miss Autie Branyon 12,000
Miss Kathryn Aubrey 6,100
Miss Etta Mae Balke 5,600
Miss Mildred Cotey 4,700

In all there were fifteen nominees in the contest which was spirited from start to finish.

Miss Stephens, accompanied by her father will leave for Phoenix Saturday morning and on Monday next, from the representatives of the thirteen counties, will be chosen, by ballot, the Queen of the Fair.

GOOD CATTLE MART IN LOS ANGELES AFTER NOV. 1ST

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26 — Beef steers are 6.50 for rough Southern Arizonaans, up to 8 cents for fed Utahs and Colorado and Nevada. Cows fat are from 5 cents for common stuff up to 5.90 for good Northern.

4.10 to 4.40 Denver makes Colorado cows cost 5.60 to 5.90 and the steers, fat Colorado, at 6.50 make them cost 8 cents and down to 7.75. The Flagstaff and Kingman grass steers from Arizona cost 6.50 there, stand an approximate 100 lb. shrink on route, and \$4 freight expense, so they virtually stand 7.50 Los Angeles. A bunch of fat Mexican steers are selling 900 lb here on the 6.50 basis. Lambs are around the 13 cent mark and hogs 10.50 to 11. Feeder lambs are bringing up to 12.40 Kansas City. Wool is up again to 55 cents and very strong. Hides are up some.

The union stockyards open at Los Angeles Nov. 1st. The commission men have formed an exchange and request that shipments of common cattle be light until California rains which are expected within 30 days or less.

Fat heavy steers and fat cows of weight will on the present market bring good prices if distributed along and there is a great demand for lambs and hogs. The market here is overcrowded on common cows and veal, until California buyers have grass, after which they can absorb 100,000 head.

A general advice is given for the adjacent range country to cut shipments in the Los Angeles yards as a matter of producer protection until the distributing channels are given a chance to be completed. After Nov. 5th to 10th Los Angeles should be a good market. There are some twenty commission men, including some five or six very good men who have been ex-packer managers. Rates will be the same as other yards pending the naming of permanent rates by the Department of Agriculture.

A. L. SPELLMEYER.

Hon. Chas. B. Ward, candidate for Governor in the democratic primaries will make two speeches in Greenlee county advocating the election of Geo. W. P. Hunt, the successful candidate. He will speak in both Clifton and Morenci on the night of Oct. 30.

Miss Mabel Dilliner formerly of Clifton, but who has been residing at Sioux City, Iowa, the past several years is visiting with friends in Clifton for a few weeks, after which she will go on to California where her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Dilliner are now located.

Hon. H. A. Elliott, senator from Greenlee county, was called to Bisbee this week on important business but is expected back in the county on Monday to take part in the Democratic campaign.

Jack Albrecht is back in the district representing the Union Lithograph Co., of Los Angeles.

PHOENIX BUSTLING READY FOR OPENING ARIZONA STATE FAIR

PHOENIX, Oct. 26.—Phoenix is bustling with importance this week in preparation of the role she is about to assume as host to the thousands who will gather here next week to attend the Eighteenth Annual session of the Arizona State Fair.

The capital city is manifesting a degree of civic pride never shown before, and with committees of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Junior Chamber of Commerce active, everything possible is being done to welcome the visiting throngs. Merchants are decorating the windows and store fronts and the entire city is putting on a gala dress of flags and bunting.

This year's fair is destined to eclipse in every department and in every feature all past attempts. A most remarkable program of events has been arranged, and the exhibits this year will be more comprehensive and extensive than on any previous occasion.

Aerial stunts, horse-racing, cowboy sports, and automobile racing constitute the headline attractions, and these will be supplemented with Indian pastimes, boys' and girls' contests and vaudeville attractions, the latter to be staged both on the grounds and on the downtown street corners during the evening hours.

Four bands will furnish music throughout the week. The crack 25th Infantry band of Fort Huachuca will be here in all its glory. Other musical organizations participating will be the Phoenix Municipal band, the St. Johns Mission Indian band, and the band of the U. S. Indian school.

Fair week will mark the holding of many notable events in lodges. On Monday night there will be a fantastic parade of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine as a preliminary to the introduction of a large class of novitiates. Later in the week the Dokeys will hold the spotlight with a spectacle of similar nature.

The Arizona Court of Beauty, composed of the fairest daughter of each of the 13 counties outside of Maricopa, will be the center of much interest and attraction, culminating in the selection of one of their number as Queen of the Arizona fair, and as such the winner of the \$500 beauty prize.

HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA ENTERTAINS

At the semi-monthly luncheon of the Clifton Commercial Club held at the "Y" building on Friday last, the members were highly entertained with a musical program by the seven members of the High School orchestra under the direction of Miss Newhouse, musical director. The orchestra is composed of Rodrick MacLeay, Wm. Collins, Artie Slaughter, Edward Wagstaff, Archibald Cashion, Bertha Stephens and Mike Haddad. Another interesting feature of the luncheon club this week was a narrative description of the several smelting plants in Arizona given by J. O. Ambler, superintendent of the P. D. Smelter, who has recently completed a visit to each plant in the state and northern Sonora.

TO HOLD CORPORATION COMMISSION HEARING

The Clifton Water & Improvement Co. has applied to the Arizona Corporation Commission for an increase in its rates to consumers in the town of Clifton. Notice has been given that the above entitled case will be heard at Clifton on Monday, Nov. 13, 1922 at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m. At this time opportunity will be afforded those in favor of said increase and those against the proposed increase to be heard before the Commission.

A. C. CO. LTD. PAYS DIVIDEND

Local stockholders of the Arizona Copper Co. Ltd., received notice this week of the declaration of a dividend of one shilling per share payable in November. The A. C. Co. Ltd. is now a holding company for the old A. C. stockholders, the A. C. Co. Ltd. being a stockholder of the Phelps Dodge Corporation.

REPUBLICANS OPEN AT FRANKLIN

The Republican county candidates opened their speaking campaign in the precinct of Franklin on Friday night of this week with all the county candidates present who spoke briefly in support of their candidacy. The speaking program was followed by a dance.

FIRE BREAKS OUT IN WAREHOUSE

A fire which started in the old Italy store, now being used as a hay warehouse, on Saturday night last, destroyed several bales of hay before it was extinguished by the fire department.

W. H. Neill, formerly of the A. C. Co. Ltd. General Office Staff, has been on a visit to his family in Clifton this week. Mr. Neill is at present employed in Tombstone by one of the mining companies of that district.

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